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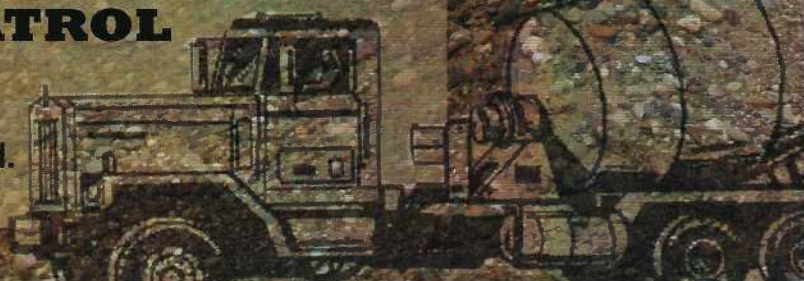
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# **C**OMMANDER'S CORNER

**By Col. Deborah Pierce, CAP  
Nevada Wing Commander**

Hi there, everybody! Well, here we are in the thick of winter – snow up here in the North and rain down in the South. But just because its winter doesn't mean that nothing is going on! We have some great things coming up in the Wing over the next couple of months that I'd like to tell you about.

A couple of our squadrons are embarking on winter camping trips, practicing their outdoor survival skills. Many of our members applied for NCSAs this year and that's great to see! Those folks are waiting with bated breath to find out the status of their applications. Speaking of NCSAs...there were 24 cadets selected nationwide this year for the Cadet Leadership Academy NCSA. I'm very pleased to announce – drum roll, please – two of our own Nevada Wing cadets were chosen! Cadet Capt. Kyle Alamshaw of the Las Vegas Composite Squadron and Cadet Capt. Jason Scharoun of the Reno Composite Squadron will be representing us in Legislative Day meetings with Nevada's Congressional delegation in Washington, D.C. at the end of February. I believe it's the first time in a long time that Nevada has our own cadets in these annual meetings. Very exciting! Maj. Rich Hazeltine and I will be accompanying



the cadets at the Legislative Day meetings as we'll be there for the Command Council meetings held during the same week.

Another big event for Nevada Wing is the 2020 Nevada Wing Encampment. The dates have been selected and will be June 19-June 27, 2020, at the Rising Star in Mesquite, NV. More specific information will be coming but I wanted to announce those dates so they can be penciled in for YOUR participation – seniors and cadets, North and South! The Encampment Commander is Lt. Col. Pete Goertzen and the Commandant of Cadets is Lt. Col. Dan Wilcox. Thanks to these two members for stepping up to the plate to take this important project on. Seniors, if you would like to be part of it, please contact Lt. Col. Goertzen. Cadets,

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# Fallen Veterans honored during Wreaths Across America



*By Logan Nethercott  
12-16-19*

At the Southern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Boulder City, Nevada, cadets and senior members came together to partake in an event that remembers those who have served our country. In a nationwide effort, Wreaths Across America is an annual event that lays wreaths on fallen American veterans. The ceremony itself encompasses over 1,600 veterans' cemeteries across the country, as well as 24 cemeteries overseas, to an estimated 1.8 million wreaths this year. This year in Boulder City, a total of 11,500 wreaths were bought and 9,702 were placed down in remembrance of our deceased veterans. The event started with a ceremony at McClellan Gate at 8:30 led by Capt. Matt Mendenhall. Afterwards, a color guard presentation was led by the 802nd Cadet Squadron in Henderson. A ceremonial wreath placing for every branch of the armed forces was held, with Palo Verde AFJROTC singing every branch's service song. Many organizations appeared to honor our fallen heroes,

including the Scouts, United States Naval Sea Cadets, Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps, and Civil Air Patrol. Civil Air Patrol squadrons participated in multiple facets of the event, including passing out personally ordered wreaths, helping unload boxes of wreaths to volunteers, and honorably placing wreaths on veterans' graves. With multiple hours of hard work, volunteers were able to cover multiple sections of the cemetery, with about 3,000 more wreaths donated than the year prior. With the tremendous support of Civil Air Patrol squadrons in our Wing, Wreaths Across America demonstrates the commitment of Civil Air Patrol in honoring our nation's veterans, past and present.

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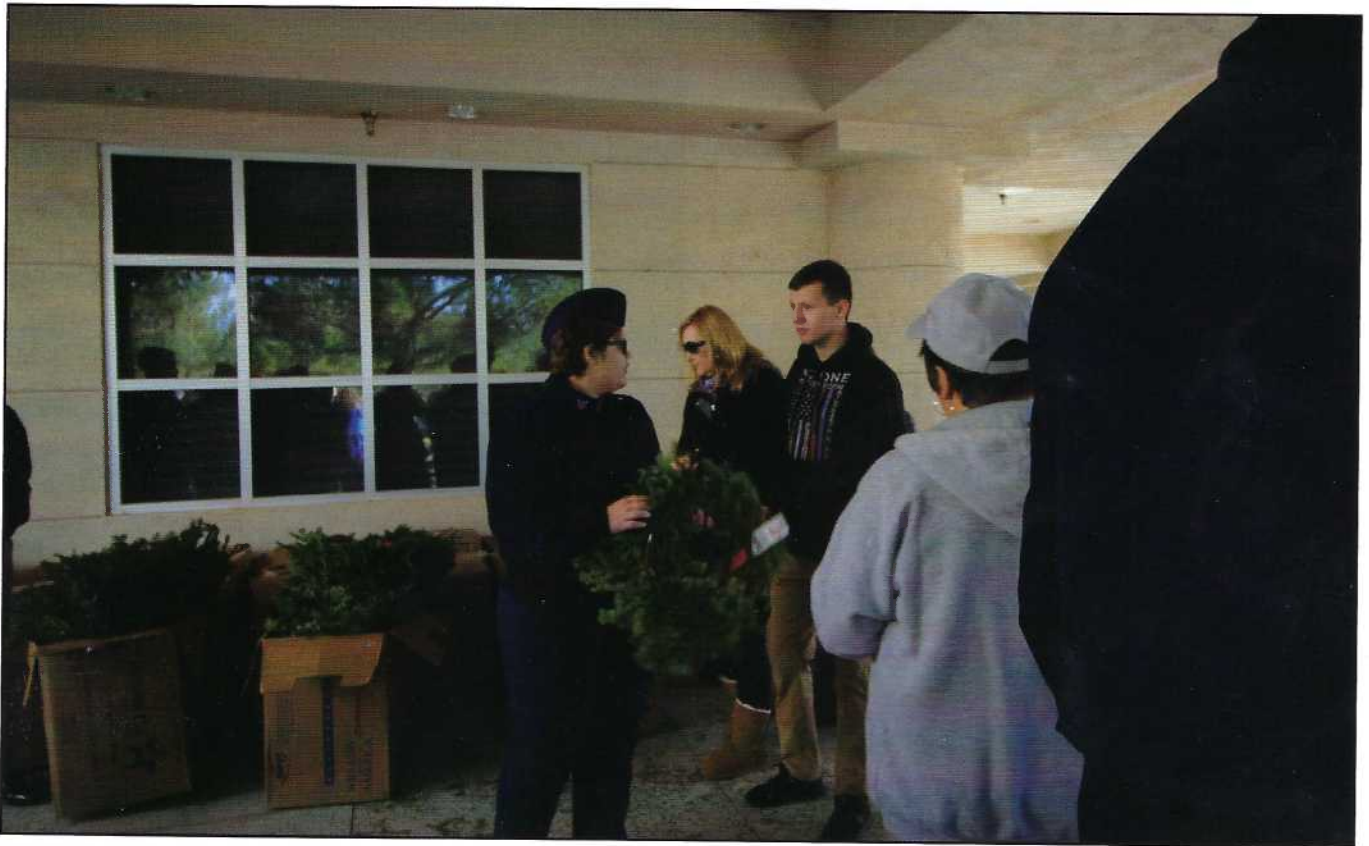
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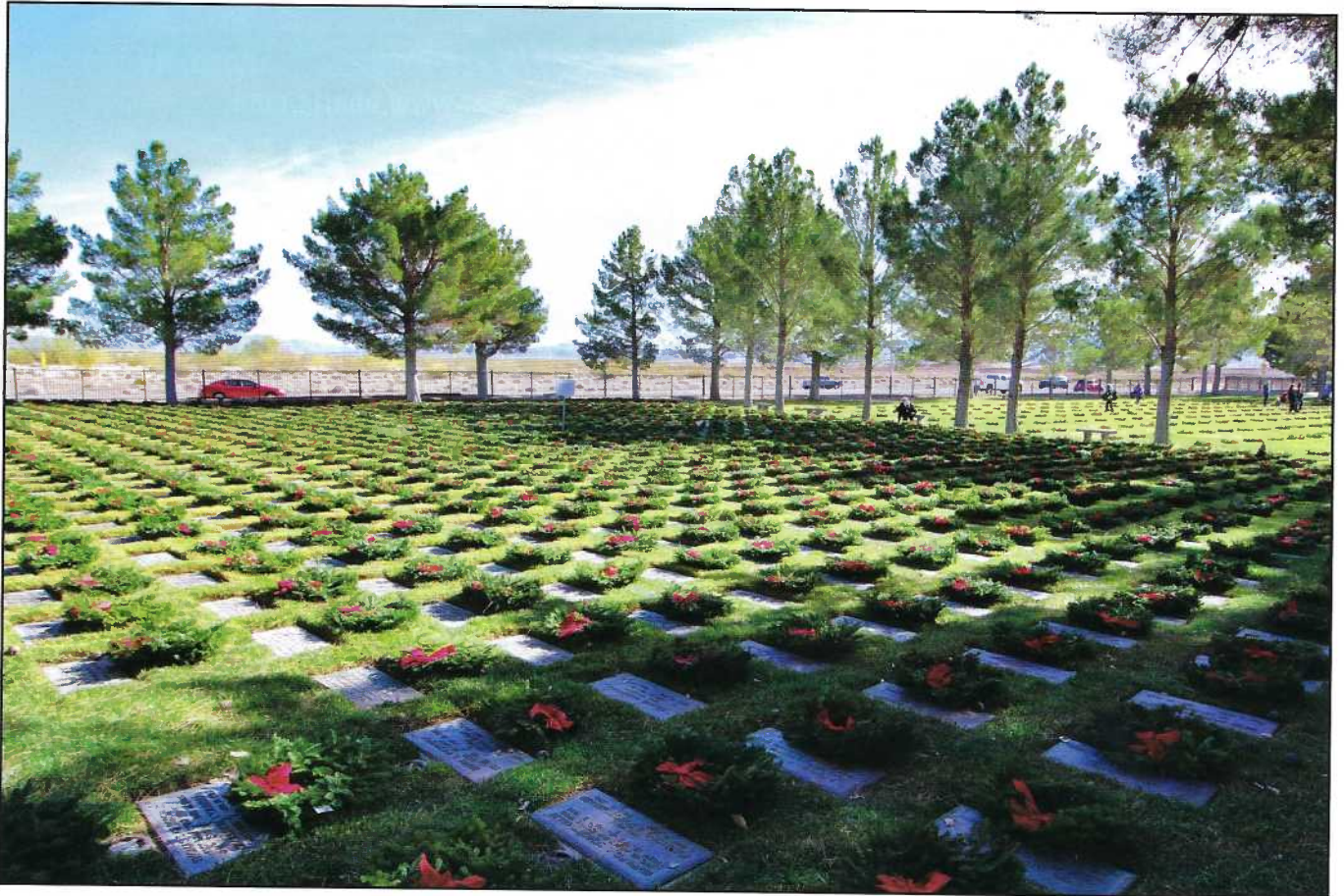
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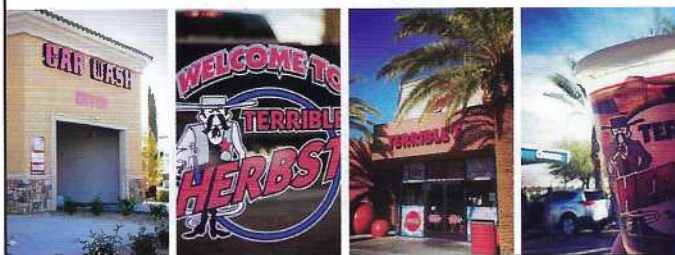


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# Inland Search And Rescue Course at Green Flag

*1st Lt. Nicholas Sacco, CAP*

During the week of Dec 9th to Dec 13th the United States Coast Guard and United States Air Force put on the Inland Search and Rescue Course at our Green Flag hangar. The course was led and taught by Lt. Col. Greg Rockwood which also is a HH-60 Pavehawk pilot with 6 deployments overseas and earning the distinguished flying cross with valor. His co-instructor was Chief Petty Officer Jane Driscoll. The class is one of the best courses that Civil Air Patrol member can go to.

As the class started we went over the Dennis Martin Case of what was the right and wrongs from the case. Then went into air searches and ground searches and the difference that they do. Basically an introduction of search and rescue. What was awesome about this is there was 4 members of the Nevada wing there, one from Florida. Large group of members from the Red Rock Search and Rescue, and service members of the Coast Guard and Air Force part of the class as well. So we got

to hear a lot of different experiences from across the board on how things are done.

After the intro we finally got into main reason of the course. Search Theory, how to put math into finding people, easier and controlling what you have and where to put it. Honestly it was one of the moments when you thought the math you learned in school that you will never use again just came back. But it was ok, the first type of Searching we went over was Air Searching. How to





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take a missing air plane flight plan and all the things that come off it and how to start a search, then later putting search theory into it where are the best places to look for them.

The next day we went over ground searching. And did the same thing knowing basic information how to start a search then later putting search theory into place. What was awesome to see was members from every organization explaining things in there specialty to others that are not too familiar with others things working together. For example Red Rock Search and Rescue does an amazing job in ground searches as Civil Air Patrol works more in Air Searches and ELT Searches, through the five day course putting the best together for a great end result.

The last couple days was what everyone was waiting for. Finally putting things that we learn together. We were divided up into 5 groups and of course the instructors made sure the groups where mix with everyone from different organizations. All the



groups where all given the same scenario, pending on how the groups work together was the outcome of the end result. Some groups where able to find everyone and everything they were looking for as for some others they were not able to, but it was ok and a learning process. At the end of the week it was awesome to see everyone working together and making new friends. As new friends where made hopefully we

can start working together more with other groups and being able to get our name out there more and saving lives.

Nevada Wing had four graduates of the course, Lt. Col. Gene Pasinski, Maj. Darrin Scheidle, Capt. Michael Lipka, and 1st Lt. Nicholas Sacco. As being a graduate we all get to wear a special graduate patch on uniforms now. ★

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## ***Commander's Corner...***

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more information will be coming as to how you can apply.

Folks, please submit articles to Silver Wings regarding what's going on at YOUR squadron! Squadron website managers, please be working on updating your sites to the NHQ standard and keeping the information

current. If you have questions about your site format, please contact Capt. Maryan Tooker, Nevada Wing Director of Public Affairs. Let the Wing – and visiting potential members – know what's happening where ***you*** are.

Spring will be along in just a couple

of months, when those up North can stop shoveling snow and the members down South can put their SCUBA suits away. In the meantime, please enjoy winter as much as you can and thank you all for what you do to enhance the success of our Nevada Wing! ★



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*Capt. Michael Lipka  
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Two and a half years ago after joining CAP, I came across an Operations entry in eServices that referred to this CERT program. Not many knew what it was and even less knew how to get the training. After doing a little

digging, I found and took the 18 hour course at the Henderson Fire Training Center in Henderson, Nevada that taught me the basics of survival and simple tasks like triage, putting out fires, administering first aid, search and rescue cribbing,



and performing searches in buildings with my "buddy". But something happen, at the fifth week, I wanted to be part of this program and help to teach this to the community, CAP, and my cadets at the 802nd. Long story short, a few weeks later I was working for the City of Las Vegas through a grant from FEMA to teach CERT to Southern Nevada.

Soon after I began teaching CERT in the fall of 2018, I offered the first class specifically to CAP members in the wing. 25 CAP members from around the southern Nevada squadrons showed up to learn! I was



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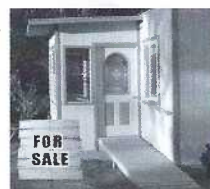
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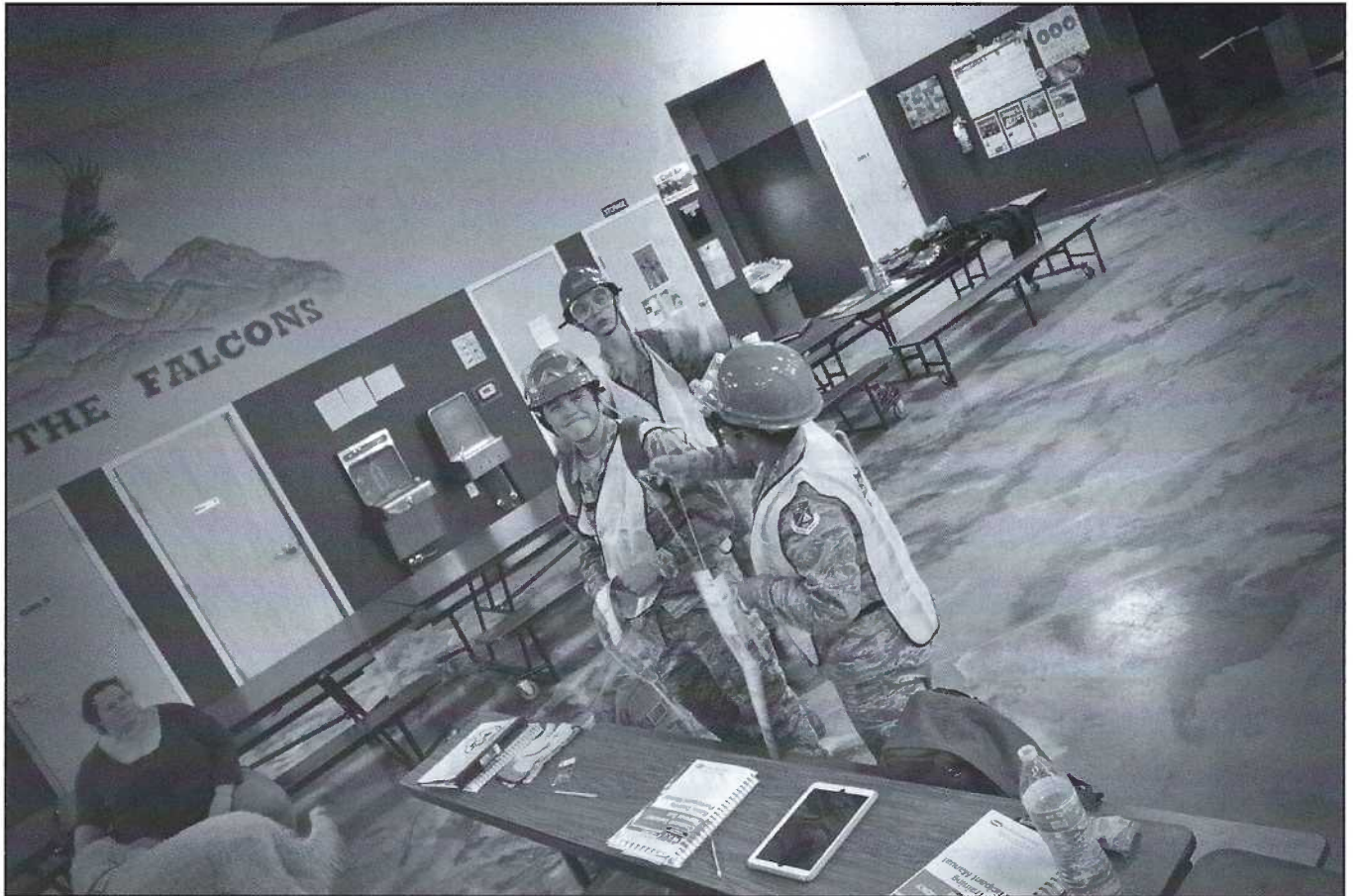
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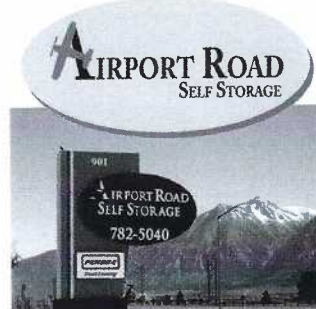
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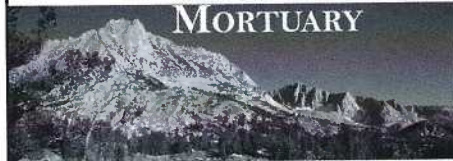
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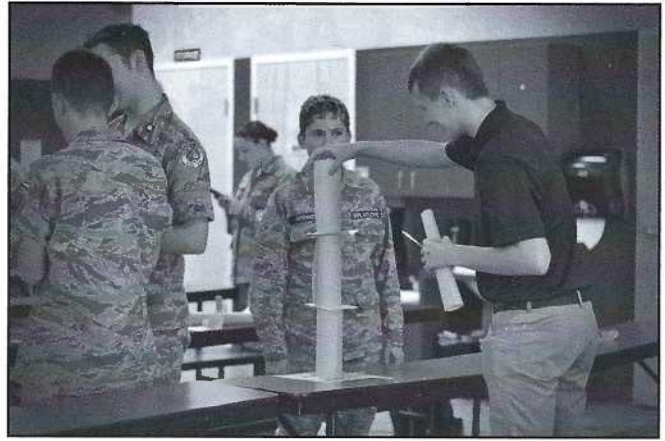
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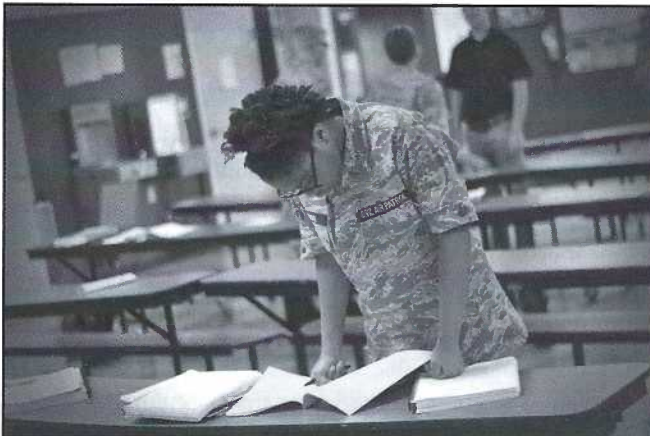
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amazed by the interest and the cadet participation. This year was no exception with another 20 members attending and others attending throughout the year at my other classes in various locations in Southern Nevada. It has now become a yearly event offered free to CAP members in the fall. In addition to the training, each member receives a CERT backpack full of equipment that almost satisfies the requirements for the ground team 24 hour bag!

With the enthusiastic support of my other CERT instructors, our sponsoring school Coral Academy of Science, Sandy Ridge campus and my seniors like Technical Sgt. Thomas Wireman, we were able to provide an extensive and realistic final scenario that included rubble, a rescue dog, simulated moulage, and fire pans using radios, stretchers, first aid kits and fire extinguishers. I plan to continue this tradition for CAP yearly and invite the entire wing to participate. So the next time someone asks you, "What is CERT?", you can answer with a little more knowledge of what it is and who to contact. For more information about the program go to <https://www.ready.gov/cert>. ★





# Former CAP Member Donates to the Nellis Senior Squadron 20 Years after His Death

*Submitted By Lt. Col. Malcolm Arnot, CAP  
Deputy Commander  
Nellis Senior Squadron (PCR-NV-064)*

On Sunday, 12 January 2020, Lt. Col. Malcolm Arnot, Deputy Commander of the Nellis Senior Squadron, Nevada Wing, attend a donation luncheon at the Las Vegas Country Club, 3000 Joe W. Brown Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada 89109 where, on behalf of the Nellis Senior Squadron, he was presented a donation certificate, from the Charles and Lenke N. Tarr Fund, in the amount of \$445,398.00.

Captain Charles Tarr, Jr. joined the Nellis Senior Squadron in October 1988 and was a member until his death in December 1999. As a charter member of the Nellis Senior Squadron, he was an Emergency Services Officer, Mission Radio Operator, Mission Observer and Mission Scanner. He was a very active member regularly attending meetings, activities, training events and search and rescue operations.

Captain Tarr joined the Army in January 1943 and was assigned to the Army Air Force as a 2nd Lt. and became a navigator and bombardier. He later was assigned to the 612th Bomb Squadron of the 401st Bomb Group at Deenethorpe Airfield, Northampton Shire, England in August 1944 flying in B-17G bombers. During his assignment to the 401st Bomb Group, he flew 42 combat missions against some the most heavily defended strategic German targets in Europe, such as: war material manufacturing factories and storage yards, military marshaling locations, oil refineries and storage facilities, submarine facilities, naval shipyards, airfields, and V1 and V2 rocket launch sites. For his gallantry as a B-17 aircrew member during those 42 combat missions, he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal. After the war, he remained in Europe and participated in the Berlin Airlift and then returned to the United States to teach celestial air navigation at an Army Air Force Base in Texas. He was discharged in May 1950 as a 1st Lt.

Captain Tarr then joined the U.S. Air Force in March 1951. As a Captain, he was discharged from the U. S. Air Force in March 1953 and he and his wife, Lenke, moved to Las Vegas where he owned two small businesses, a scooter shop and a printing business.



Upon his death in December 1999, Captain Tarr stipulated that a fund be established with a good portion of the money he had earned from his two businesses; and, at the end of 20 years of investment, the money be distributed to the 17 nonprofit charities and organizations he was either a member of or admired for the work that they did to support and assist the community and people who were in need. The Nellis Senior Squadron was one of those organizations.



# Progress of the NVWG CAC

## *NVWG CAC Outreach Committee*


The Nevada Wing Cadet Advisory Council is a long-standing organization within CAP to provide a method for cadets of all ages and ranks to feel that they are being represented within the wing. In the last quarter, the Nevada Wing Cadet Advisory Council has made significant progress.

At Wing Conference, members of the CAC met in person and hosted both an open and a closed meeting. The open meeting was an opportunity for cadets and senior members to give suggestions and voice concerns regarding the cadet program. The CAC greatly values this input, as it allows us to better understand how we can help to shape the Wing to the needs and wants of even the lowest ranking Cadets. The closed meeting allowed CAC representatives to collaborate on the creation of new progress and form new committees. This meeting is important in that it allows for closer collaboration between representatives.

As a result of these meetings, the CAC has formed three new committees. The PT Committee is tasked with publishing a booklet of PT exercises and games for Nevada Wing squadrons in hopes of increasing the fitness and PT enthusiasm in the Wing. The Anti-Hazing Committee is tasked with publishing a pamphlet in order to clarify misconceptions about hazing and CAP regulations. Finally, the Cyber Committee provides a discussion point for cybersecurity and STEM related topics and works to form plans for squadron activities. In addition, the Outreach Committee has worked to produce this article and is working on ways to get more cadets to set up their wing emails.

In the next quarter the CAC plans to collaborate through regularly scheduled conference calls in order to complete these projects, as well as share updates and suggestions from squadrons across the wing. When these projects are completed, the finished materials will be shared with each squadron in the wing. Through active participation and dedication to the CAC goals, we hope to make the CAC an active part of every squadron.

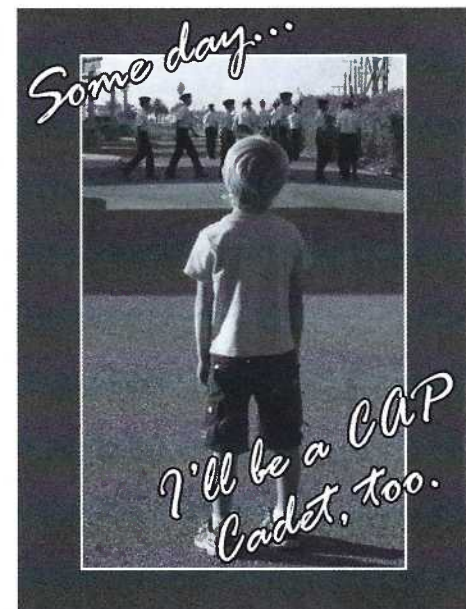

In order for the CAC to better represent cadets and understand their interests, it is important that cadets are encouraged to become involved by submitting ideas and concerns. The most direct link of communication to us is through the Nevada Wing Cadet Discord server. This is also a place to connect with fellow Cadets. If interested, please join by navigating to this link: <https://discord.gg/A7XQYdZ>



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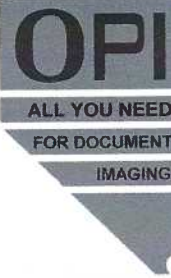




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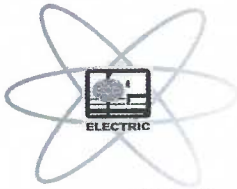


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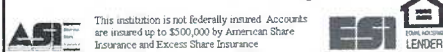
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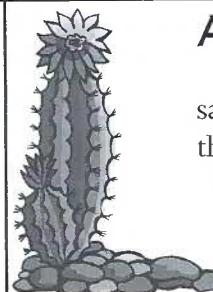


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# Fla., S.D. Cadets Representing CAP in CyberPatriot XII National Finals



A first-time finalist and a familiar name from past championship rounds will represent Civil Air Patrol next month in the finals of the Air Force Association's **CyberPatriot National Youth Cyber Defense Competition**.

The top-performing CAP team in the semifinals, representing the Florida Wing's St. Augustine Composite Squadron, will make its inaugural appearance in the CyberPatriot XII

national finals, set for March 20-22 in Rockville, Maryland.

In contrast, the South Dakota Wing's Big Sioux Composite Squadron returns to the national stage for the sixth time, having previously done so from 2012-2015 and 2019. Previous Big Sioux cadet teams achieved a second-place overall finish in 2015, a Networking Finals victory in 2012 and a Forensics Competition win in 2013.

CAP competes in the All Service Division of CyberPatriot, which includes junior ROTC teams for each of the military services as well as the Naval Sea Cadet Corps. CAP accounted for 476 of the 1,885 All Service teams competing in CyberPatriot XII.

CAP teams have finished first nationally three times – in 2011, when a Florida Wing entry took the title, and in 2012 and 2017, when the crown went to the Colorado Springs Cadet Squadron. In addition, the California Wing's Beach Cites Cadet Squadron 107 won the

inaugural Middle School Division competition in 2014.

The competition challenges teams of high school and middle school students to find and fix cybersecurity vulnerabilities in virtual operating systems. Using a proprietary competition system, teams are scored on how secure they make the system.

The finals qualifiers receive an ell-expenses-paid trip to Bethesda. Scholarships are available to team members.

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# CAP Produces 13,000+ sUAS Photos for Puerto Rico Quake Response

*Capt. Margot Myers, CAP  
Public Information Officer  
Puerto Rico Disaster Relief Mission*

Civil Air Patrol provided more than 13,000 aerial photographs taken from small unmanned aerial systems (sUAS), more commonly referred to as drones, in support of Federal Emergency Management Agency disaster relief efforts in Puerto Rico.

CAP sUAS team members photographed locations selected by FEMA. Flying no higher than 400 feet above ground level, the sUAS are equipped with high-resolution photo and video cameras, depending on the need.

Three two-member sUAS teams and a unit leader deployed Jan. 9 following a series of earthquakes and aftershocks that began two days earlier. Each team consisted of a CAP sUAS mission pilot and a sUAS technician.

A second group of seven CAP members arrived in Puerto Rico to staff sUAS operations Jan. 19, replacing the original team members, and completed its assignments Monday.

CAP also began flying single-engine Cessna's on Jan.



15 for photography missions over areas affected by the earthquakes. Thunderstorms and high winds delayed use of the planes earlier in the mission. Planes fly higher than drones in order to photograph infrastructure such as roads and bridges, power plants, water treatment facilities and dams.

Austin Worcester is the senior program manager for sUAS at CAP National Headquarters. "The sUAS program started because we were trying to find a solution to fixed-wing aircraft being unavailable because of challenging weather conditions and when ground team photos don't provide the right kind of information that emergency managers need," Worcester said. "Early in this mission, airplanes were not employed because of winds at altitude, but the sUAS could still fly."

Both sUAS and planes also can be used to document damage to homes, schools and other structures. The photos they produce are used by FEMA as well as state and local governments to prioritize resources by allowing them to determine where damage is most severe and help is most needed.

With more than 1,600 units, CAP is the largest civilian owner/operator of public safety sUAS in the nation.

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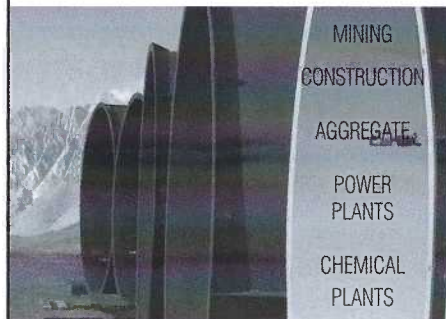
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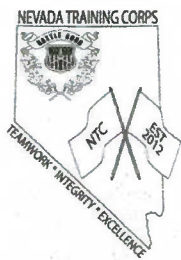
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# 2019 Nevada Wing Encampment

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On 22 June 2019, over 75 Civil Air Patrol cadets from the region arrived in Mesquite, Nevada for the seventh annual Nevada Wing Encampment. For the next seven days, these cadets were immersed in leadership, aerospace education and physical training, as well as drill and ceremonies. At the end of the week, the cadets graduated into the Nevada Training Corps, better known as the NTC.



On day zero, after checking in and going through a contraband check, the cadets signed an honor agreement to develop leadership skills; learn about aviation, space, and technology; commit to a habit of regular exercise; and live the Core Values of Integrity, Volunteer Service, Excellence, and Respect throughout the week. Once their honor agreement was signed, cadets were then separated into their flights and began their training.

Beginning the morning of day one, 23 June, cadets woke up and participated in thirty minutes of physical training each morning. Cadets also took part in their first barracks inspection. The flight level inspection is the first major test of the cadet's ability to work as a team.



***Cadets signing their honor code (Day zero).***



***Bravo Flight ringing the bell at the end of the obstacle course (Day two).***

Cadets need to make their beds as well as prepare their uniforms, shirts and socks to a predetermined standard. The encampment standard is designed to make students focus on details and work together as a team.

On day two, the flights competed against each other in an obstacle course. The flights, including their sergeants and commanders, had to walk along unstable benches, participate in ladder runs, conquer ranger pushups, shoot hoops, and ring the old bell while motivating each other and working as a team.



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Charlie flight won the obstacle course by completing it in 8:49 and showing great motivation and teamwork. Flights also participated in a Team Leadership Problem as well. The theme for the first team leadership problem was management. The flight, without help from their staff, were required to use all of their members in order to complete their objective; solving a 300-piece puzzle in 30 minutes. The puzzle had to be built away from the box and picture, and each piece was transported individually. Most teams used sorters, who sorted pieces on the starting table which couldn't be used for building; transporters who memorized where pieces were and took them over to be built; and builders who built the puzzle. The most successful teams learned that by using everyone's strengths, working hard for the full 30 minutes and using every person, they could build the puzzle. Flights were given two attempts and the best score was Alpha flight with 146 pieces connected.

United States Air Force Chaplain



***Chaplain Capt. Mendenhall Speaking to the attendees at the 2019 NVWG Encampment (Day three).***

Capt. Matthew Mendenhall visited encampment on 25 June. He provides pastoral care, advises leadership and facilitates religious accommodation while serving as unit chaplain for the 432nd Operations Group and 799th Air Base up. Chaplain Mendenhall spoke about service before self, the importance of putting ideas first and finding your motivation to support that idea, and how programs such as Civil

Air Patrol greatly strengthen our Air Force capabilities. He believes that it is imperative for American youth to grow up passionate about a life in service.

Physical Training (PT) is a required activity at encampment that teaches cadets how to live a physically and mentally healthy lifestyle during and after the week. Students are encouraged to take what they learn during this training and actively practice at home. Each day cadets performed exercises ranging from push-ups to ranger claps; all with the thought of health and self-improvement in mind. As the cadets go through Flight, Squadron, and Core training, they experience three completely different levels of the PT program. They are constantly pushed to motivate themselves and their fellow Wingmen to ensure the team makes it to the end. Teamwork is the only way for a student to overcome the challenges at encampment and PT is the perfect environment for this skill to be developed and applied to real life situations.



***Cadet Staff Sgt. t Vogel and Cadet Senior Airman Grasmick preparing a bed for inspection (Day three).***



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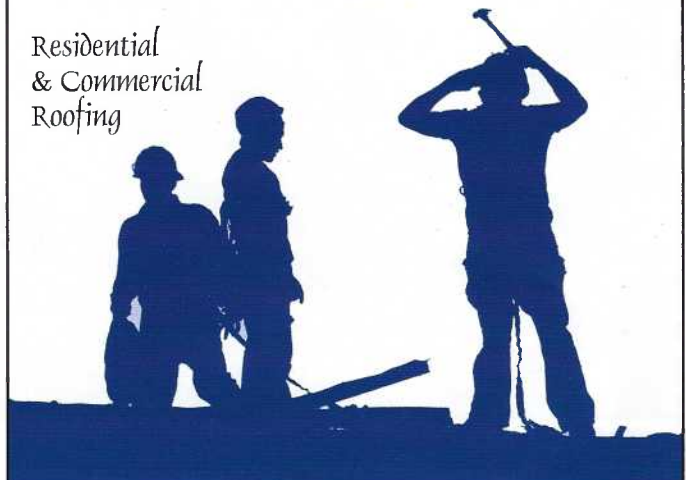
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For the first few days, the flight cadre worried that their commander was coming to inspect their flights and they wanted their flight to look good. The flights worked together to make sure their shirts, socks, and beds were up to the encampment standard. When it came time on day three, the squadron commander and first sergeant inspected the flights. They put all of the responsibility on their flight cadre rather than the students, correcting the flight cadre when their flight was not up to standard.

During the fourth day of encampment, 26 June, cadets participated in squadron volleyball competitions. Throughout the week, the flights had been practicing volleyball in preparation for this event. Volleyball served as a stress reliever and gave the flights an opportunity to have fun and bond. However, this sport also reminds the cadets that they have to work as a team. When the ball comes your way, you have to make a play whether you are ready or not. No individual can cover the whole court



***Cadet Airman Brannon ready for takeoff! (Day four).***



***Delta Flight Cadets participating in PT (Day one).***

no matter how good they are. After five games, Bravo Flight and Delta Flight won their respective squadron competitions and faced off in the final on day five.

Day four was quite exciting for Charlie and Delta flights as well, as they were able to do orientation flights that morning. Orientation flights are one of the methods that Civil Air Patrol uses to get cadets interested in flying and to experience aviation firsthand. Cadets had the opportunity to actually fly the aircraft under the direction of a pilot, and perform maneuvers with the aircraft. The cadets had the opportunity to get behind the controls of either a Cessna 182, Cessna 206, or GA8. During the orientation flights, the pilots talked about the instruments on the aircraft, pre-flight and in-flight checklists, navigation and how to fly the aircraft. They also pointed out key landmarks that they flew over and performed various aerial maneuvers with the cadets.

On day five, Alpha and Bravo flights completed their orientation flights.

Every student went up in the air and every student who did not already have a front seat ride was able to complete their first orientation flight and receive their first flight certificates. Cadets also participated in the first annual drone competition, the corps drill competition and the corps volleyball competition.

In the 2019 NTC Drone Competition, flights were pitted against each other for the championship. Each flight selected their top four competitors who competed for the fastest time and the title of "NTC Drone Champions". The winner of the competition was Delta Flight. Their fastest time was achieved by Cadet Master Sgt. Payce Anderson, who brought his team in for the win and the title of "NTC Drone Champions".

The NTC Drill Competition focuses on the flight's attention to detail, ability to drill and ability to work as a team. These components were implemented in the training the cadets received throughout the entirety of the week. The drill competition evaluates the flight's overall



understanding of the value of drill and ceremonies. The cadets could have blindly recited the value of drill and ceremonies throughout the week, but the executive cadre were looking for the flight that truly understood and upheld the value of drill and ceremonies. Alpha Flight best demonstrated their understanding of the value of drill and ceremonies for which they received the Corps Drill Competition Award.

Throughout the week of encampment, cadets faced many challenges that could only be conquered through teamwork. Volleyball added a level of competition to motivate students to work together so their flight could achieve the common goal of winning. The two flights competing in the group level competition were determined by the Squadron Commanders who each held a competition between the two flights they oversaw. Bravo and Delta advanced to the group level competition where Bravo took the win.

The last full day of encampment, day six, is the most challenging but also the most fun. Cadets participated in



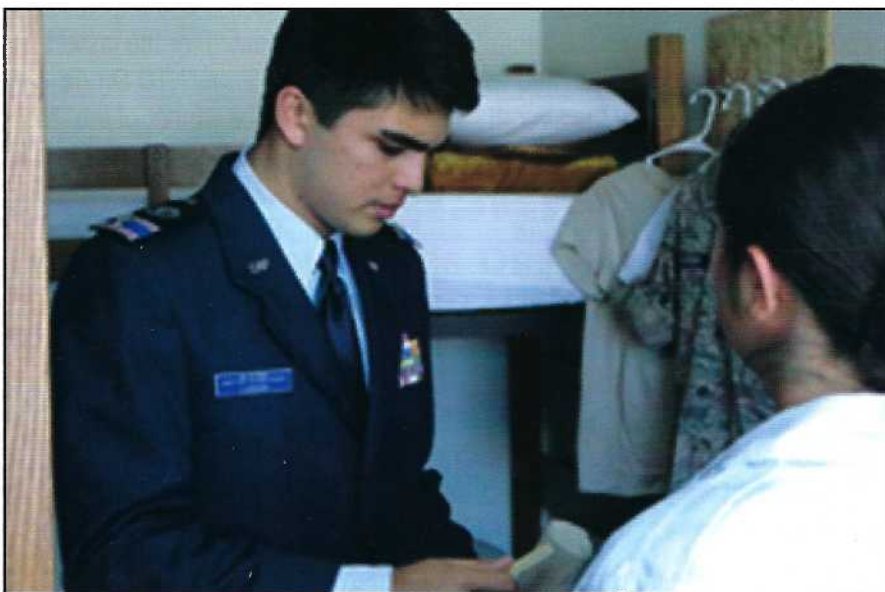
***Charlie Flight during the drill competition (Day five).***

the Nevada Training Corps physical training, ending with a corps run and a motivational speech. Cadets also helped not only their flight or their squadron with barracks prep but also the other squadron to prepare for the Nevada Training Corps barracks inspection. The evening ended with a fun activity that included all of the cadets, cadre, and senior members. Cadets were able to converse freely and have fun.

Graduation day! For some cadets, this day is their favorite day but for others it's their saddest. Throughout the week, cadets made invaluable friendships and pushed themselves to embody the core values of CAP. Many cadets received awards at the graduation ceremony but the best award of all is that all first-time students graduated!

Not only was encampment a learning opportunity for the students, it was a leadership laboratory for the cadre. The cadre could practice and see the effects of different leadership styles and tactics in a closely monitored environment. Cadre grew as leaders and gained leadership experience that you cannot get anywhere else – all in a safe atmosphere with amazing senior members for guidance.

It is with good reason that attending an encampment is a requirement to earn the Billy Mitchell Award and promote to the grade of Cadet Second Lieutenant. At encampment, cadets are taught professionalism and teamwork while gaining some of the expertise required to become an effective officer. ★



***Cadet Maj. Carson inspecting Cadet Airman 1st Class Sandoval's shirt during the Corps inspection (Day six).***





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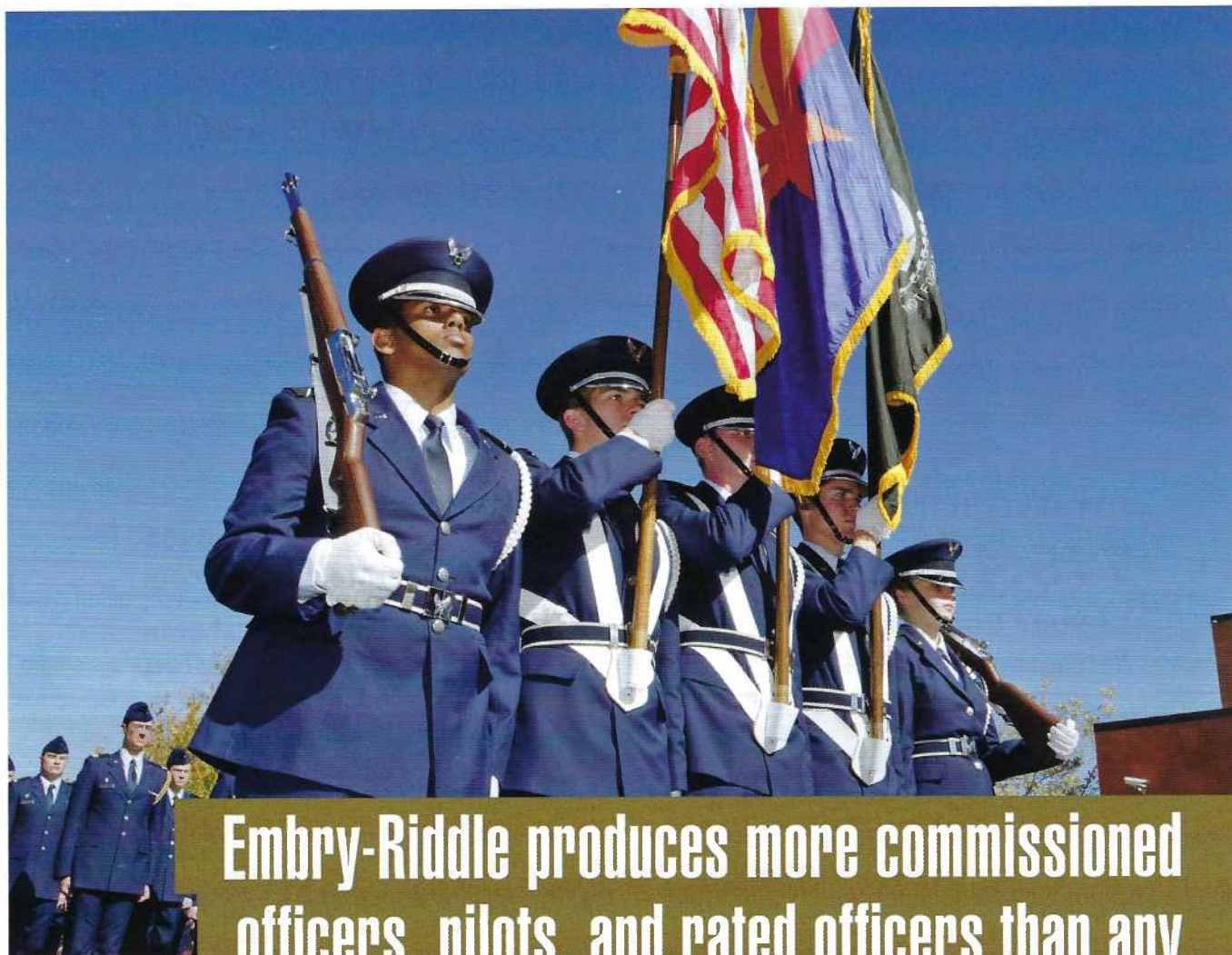
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